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Smith Island, Maryland

Smith Island was charted by Capt. John Smith in 1608 and settled in 1657 by dissenters from St. Clements Island in the Potomac River. Joshua Thomas, "Parson of the Islands", converted many to the Methodist faith. The hardy and rugged individualistic islanders are deeply religious, and community life is church-oriented.

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